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SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST VISIT OF CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER
PUBLISHER-EDITOR THOMAS VAIL AND WIFE

REF: (A) STATE 234117 OCTOBER '74; (B) STATE 00985

FOR THE AMBASSADOR

1. PRIOR VAIL'S DEPARTURE JANUARY 24 DEPARTMENT DESIRES
PROVIDE HIM WITH LIST OF FIRM AND TENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS
PLANNED FOR HIS VISIT (REFTEL B, PARA 2). PLEASE ADVISE
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2. NAMES, OFFICE AND HOME PHONE NUMBERS OF CONTROL OFFICER

IN DAMASCUS NEEDED.

3. THUS FAR, ONLY APPOINTMENT SCHEDULED FOR MEETING WITH CHIEF OF STATE OR HEAD OF GOVERNMENT IS IN ISRAEL AND PROPOSED FEBRUARY 8 MEETING WITH KING HUSSEIN. APPROPRIATE SUPPORT FOR VAIL'S REQUESTS FOR MEETINGS WITH OTHER CHIEFS OF STATE OR HEADS OF GOVERNMENT WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

4. FYI: BESIDES HIGH LEVEL DEPARTMENT INTEREST IN VAIL'S TRIP ALREADY NOTED (REFTEL A), VAIL HAS ALSO BEEN IN

CORRESPONDENCE WITH VICE PRESIDENT AND PRESIDENTIAL AIDE DONALD RUMSFELD ABOUT HIS TRAVEL. END FYI. KISSINGER

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